

## THE OHIO RISING AT RAPID RATE

Four Inches Every Hour at Cincinnati.

### NEAR-BY TOWNS SUBMERGED

All Tributaries to the Ohio River Are Raging, and the Water Will Cause Much Damage Before It Subsides.

#### OHIO DANGER LINE.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The Weather Bureau has issued the following special river bulletin:  
During the last 24 hours the Ohio river has fallen 4.4 feet at Pittsburgh and 5.8 feet at Davis Island dam. It has risen 4 feet at Parkersburg, 7.1 feet at Cincinnati and 4.4 feet at Louisville. The river will pass below the danger line 22 feet at Pittsburgh today.  
The crest of the flood will pass Parkersburg today. The river will pass the danger line 50 feet at Cincinnati by tonight and the crest will pass that place tomorrow. At Louisville the danger line of 28 feet will be reached by Tuesday night.  
There are no present indications of a change in the conditions sufficient to check the falling waters over the Upper Ohio.

#### EFFECT OF APRIL STORM.

Loss about Pittsburgh ..... \$1,000,000  
Loss near other river towns ..... 500,000  
Loss to railways ..... 200,000  
Depth of snow ..... 1 to 3 feet  
Width of eastern storm ..... 200 miles

#### CINCINNATI, O., April 22.—The danger line was reached here today in the Ohio river flood which started at the headwaters last week and did so much damage at Pittsburgh and intermediate points. The backwater along the Licking on the Kentucky side has inundated parts of Covington, Newport and other suburbs. The Mill creek valley is full of water and doing much damage in the west end of Cincinnati. A similar condition exists in the east end and along the Little Miami bottoms. But the worst condition is along the public landing and in the lower part of the city, where the streets are blocked and cellars filled with backwater.

A stage of 45 feet causes damage in this section, and that stage was reached last evening. At 5 o'clock the water was 35 feet above the normal level. At 56 feet the base of the Grand Central station, at 58 feet the races on the track in Newport and at 60 feet the limits are in sight, and most of them come today. The crest of the Pittsburgh rise is not due here till tomorrow, but the extent has been closely anticipated, and preparations made accordingly.

The rise here is four inches per hour, so that by 1 o'clock the flood will reach 60 feet. The Grand Central depot, at this rate, be used till 10 o'clock tonight, but the roads are already at a standstill, ranging from stopping at and starting from the eighth street station. Advice from the river indicates that at most points and the river rising as the Pittsburgh crest meets the floods of the lower river tributaries. The situation here and in the lower Ohio river valley is now serious.

#### LOSSES ABOUT PITTSBURG.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 22.—While western Pennsylvania was laid out of the clutches of the flood this morning a quick repetition of the disaster and perhaps on an increased scale seemed to haunt the people. Weather conditions are not reassuring. It is again raining in Pittsburgh and advice from the headwaters of the Allegheny this morning showed a renewed rise with a continued downpour. Warmer temperature acting on the snow was a factor that also caused some apprehension. The waters at this point have been steadily receding since 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, but the retreat has been very slow. At 9 o'clock this morning the Allegheny mark showed the water had fallen about three inches an hour. It is impossible to fairly approximate the loss resulting from high waters. Estimates vary from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

A sketch of the situation would place in the foreground 25,000 life employees, who in two days of enforced idleness will lose \$200,000 in wages. The aggregate loss to Pennsylvania avenue and to the vast Westinghouse manufacturing in Wilkesbarre, with the shutdown of the other big steel plants at Rankin and boroughs in the Furnace Creek Valley, easily mount up to half a million more. The aggregate loss to railroads is estimated at \$100,000. Property in Allegheny has suffered injury of an equal extent.

Marshaling with these manifold items of damage to other adjacent communities the total of \$1,000,000 can easily be reached. The mills and shops within 40 miles of the river fronts will not be able to resume before tomorrow. The railroads are rapidly getting into shape again and by evening it is expected that all trains will be running on schedule time. The source of the greatest trouble is at Chayville, a short distance from the West Virginia state line.

#### RISING AT HUNTINGTON.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., April 22.—Ohio river, 15 feet, and rising 15 inches an hour. All tributaries in the central and southern portion of the state are falling at headwaters, but the Ohio is rising. Twelve Pole and Sandy are rising within 40 miles of the mouth. News of suffering and great damage continue from the big steel plants along those streams. No loss of life has been reported this morning. The Ohio will likely not exceed 15 feet here. Numerous neighboring towns are flooded.

#### HIGH WATER IN THE EAST.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 22.—During the past 24 hours the Genesee river has risen three feet and is still rising at the rate of an inch an hour. A number of cellars on Front street are flooded. Advice from up the valley say the lowlands are again submerged and at least several streets have run over their banks. The loss to farmers who have been plowing will be considerable.

#### AMSTERDAM, N. Y., April 22.—The Mohawk river has risen ten feet since Saturday night and is still rising, already being higher than in many years. In an abatement of the West Shore bridge at Pattersonville gave way early today and necessitates trains from that road being rerouted over the Central from Utica to Central Junction, east of this city. Some of the mills along the Chukawanna creek are shut down owing to the flood.

## PRETTY SITE OFFERED FOR BRANCH LIBRARY



Corner of Mr. Withnell's tract of land at Michigan avenue and Wilmington road, which he has offered to donate for a branch library site.

Mr. W. W. Withnell Has Expressed His Wish to Donate Property in Carondelet Shown in Accompanying Picture to Library Board.

Mr. W. W. Withnell of 2100 Meramec street has offered a portion of a beautiful block of ground he owns in Carondelet as one of the branch library sites.

If the library board accepts his offer, the northeast corner of the block shown in the accompanying picture will probably be selected.

This corner fronts on Michigan avenue and Wilmington road. Both the north and southbound cars of the California avenue line pass the corner.

The surroundings are pretty. To the east the bluffs and river make a beautiful scene. Northwest and southwest are hills and valleys, dotted with red brick houses of Dover place and covered with the green of Carondelet Park.

Mr. Withnell desires that the library be located on his property and he is willing to donate enough ground to assure the board that the building will not be crowded by the houses that may hereafter be located on adjoining property.

## SHOOTING ENDS IN A WEDDING

Why Goss Refused to Prosecute McKenna.

### COMPROMISED THEIR TROUBLE

THE GIRL DECLINED TO APPEAR AGAINST LOVER.

McKenna Was Shot by Goss for Ardently Wooing His Daughter and Marriage Was Decided Upon in Arbitrating.

Michael McKenna and Louis Goss were docketed in the City Hall Police Court Monday as defendant and complaining witness.

When they appeared before Judge Siderer they had agreed to become father-in-law and son-in-law. The case was dismissed and both men went to the Goss home, 2403 De Kalb street, to prepare for the wedding festivities.

McKenna looked more like a hospital patient than a bridegroom as he appeared before the judge with his head swathed in bandages, but he told the court that his slight disfigurement would cause no delay in his nuptials.

Goss shot McKenna last week because the young man was a too ardent suitor for the hand of his daughter, Lizzie, and had threatened to injure her unless she consented to wed him.

Goss caused the wounded man to be arrested for disturbing the peace. McKenna was determined to prosecute the case at first, declaring that he would not have McKenna about his premises in the future. When he learned that his daughter, Lizzie, on whom he depended as a witness, was unwilling to take her expected part at the trial of her suitor, he begged McKenna to drop the case.

The girl told him, Sunday, that she had made up her mind to marry McKenna, or not, he decided to drop the case. McKenna was then released from the hospital and he went to the Goss home, where he was married by the judge.

Both said the marriage license would be secured Monday, as soon as McKenna could dress himself suitably for the occasion and take the bride to the City Hall. Invitations are out, they said, for the wedding Monday night, at the bride's home, where the shooting occurred.

#### CALAMITY STORY IS UNTRUE.

Report of Blizard at Nome With 200 Fatalities Is an Invention.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 22.—The reported blizard at Nome, in which 200 miners are alleged to have perished, is disproved by arrivals here from Dawson yesterday on the steamer Victorian.

The Skagway papers further investigated the report, after receiving the first arrival from Dawson, and were convinced that the story was a fabrication. No confirmation of the story has been received either at Dawson or at Skagway.

#### NO BAIL FOR CAPT. CARTER.

The Supreme Court Denies the Prisoner's Application.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The United States Supreme Court today denied the application of former Capt. Overton M. Carter to be admitted to bail.

Carter is in the penitentiary at Leavenworth, east of this city. Some of the mills along the Chukawanna creek are shut down owing to the flood.

## COMMISSIONERS

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## WOMEN HAVE NO DEPARTMENT

Their Exhibits at Pan-American Exposition Must Compete With Those Made by Men.

Women exhibitors are not catered extensively to by the managers of the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo. In fact, they have been almost entirely eliminated.

Secretary R. M. Yost of the Missouri commission to the Pan-American Exposition, while covered this when he wrote to Buffalo to inquire, in behalf of some Missouri women, what steps it would be necessary for them to take to have certain exhibits displayed there.

In reply, Mr. Yost received the following letter from Miss Marian De Forest, secretary of the board of women managers:

Dear Sir:

I beg to state that the Women's Board is making no arrangements for a special department of women's work at the Pan-American Exposition. In fact, it has been the policy of the Exposition company from the first to make no distinction between the work of women and men, and, therefore, in the Women's building no exhibits are to be placed. The building will be used only for entertainments, and as the official headquarters of the Women's Board.

The applied arts committee, in an endeavor to give some women who wanted a small space, an opportunity to exhibit at the Exposition, has arranged for a collective exhibit of work to be placed in the court of the Women's building. It is possible that some Missouri women may wish to avail themselves of the collective exhibit plan, but we have no space to install exhibits forwarded through state commissioners.

Very truly yours,

MARIAN DE FOREST.

With this reply, Miss De Forest forwarded a circular stating that the number of collective exhibits would be very limited and that only the choicest work would be accepted. It is also stated that no trivial or ordinary exhibit would be accepted.

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Secretary Yost said to the Post-Dispatch, Monday, that shipments for the Missouri agricultural display had begun to arrive in St. Louis and would be forwarded to Buffalo at once.

The five superintendents of exhibits were summoned to St. Louis, Monday, for consultation with the board. They are J. E. Crambrough of Columbia, James A. Reeves of Louisville, H. Butler of Atlanta, G. W. Cox of Gallatin and James I. Carter of Hardin.

#### MANY MINERS STRIKE.

Twenty-five Hundred Walk Out in District No. 3.

COLUMBUS, O., April 22.—Twenty-five hundred mine workers on the twenty-first of the subdistrict No. 6 of Ohio and West Virginia went on strike today because of a disagreement in regard to the dead work.

#### WEATHER INDICATIONS.

FAIR.

For St. Louis and vicinity—Fair Monday night and Tuesday; but frost Tuesday night.

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## MRS. CLIFFORD

### SEEKS WARRANT

Charges Her Husband With Assault on Kill.

IT WILL BE ISSUED TUESDAY

OUTCOME OF A SHOOTING AT 3021 WASHINGTON AVENUE.

Mrs. Clifford Will Charge That During a Quarrel J. Edgar Clifford Shot Her in the Head on March 22.

Formal application was made Monday morning for a warrant against J. Edgar Clifford, charging him with making an assault upon his wife with intent to kill.

The application was made by Cornelius Bauer, Mrs. Clifford's attorney. Mrs. Clifford is making her home at present with relatives at 436 Olive street, and her condition is such that she was unable to make the application in person.

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VANCOUVER, Wash., April 22.—Shot with the same revolver and lying one across the other as they had fallen, the bodies of Charles Brown and E. L. Canby, president and cashier, respectively, of the First National Bank of Vancouver, were found yesterday morning in a clump of bushes.

Canby evidently died first, as the revolver was found in Brown's hand. It is evident that Canby put the muzzle of the revolver in his mouth and then blew the top of his head off. Brown then took it and shot himself in exactly the same way, falling over Canby's body.

Friday evening Canby, upon being told by Bank Examiner J. W. Maxwell that the bank would not be permitted to open Saturday, went out into the yard behind the bank and attempted to shoot himself. His revolver failed to explode, although all five chambers were loaded. After failing to shoot himself Canby came back into the bank and he and President Brown left together later, taking his revolver. When Examiner Maxwell confronted the bank officials with the shortage of \$81,000 which he had discovered, both men admitted their guilt. It is said that both Brown and Canby had been speculating in stocks.

Beside Brown's body there was found a package containing \$25 and a note saying that the money belonged to his daughter. Upon Canby's body the following brief note was found:

My Dear Wife—I feel what I am about to do is for the best. I am tired of this life, and try to live for our dear children. God bless you all. Good-bye. NEW.

Brown, who was 54 years of age, has lived in Vancouver since 1882. His father was the first receiver of the Vancouver land office. He has served as auditor of Clark County, married and has a family. In connection with the bank as its president dates back 12 years. Canby was 52 years old and was well connected. He has a brother who is a paymaster in the United States army.

While Bank Examiner Maxwell, who is now in charge as receiver, has made no official statement, it is known that the bank has loaned a large sum of money on insufficient security. According to his report to the controller of the currency, there is a shortage of \$81,000 in the bank's account, and in the meantime a considerable portion of the amount was loaned to Brown and Canby on their personal notes.

About a year ago the bank reduced its capital stock from \$100,000 to \$50,000. At that time about one-half of the so-called bad assets were charged off and the best carried as an asset since that time.

The heaviest stockholder is Captain Stephen P. Joseph of the regular army, a member of Gen. Shafter's staff. Col. Joseph is stationed at San Francisco. His wife lives in Vancouver when the bank was organized, in 1882, and ever since that time he has been the heaviest stockholder.

According to the last statement issued in February the bank had deposits amounting to about \$200,000.

Burglars entered the show rooms of the Central Mantel Co., at 919 Pine street, Sunday night through a rear door, which they opened with a skeleton key, and partially wrecked the office furniture in their search for money.

President Harry C. Thomas of the company says that, so far as he has been able to ascertain, they left the store only 60 cents richer than when they entered. This sum was in 2-cent stamps. Mr. Thomas declared that of his chief clerk presented a confused appearance. Their contents were heaped together, having been thoroughly searched as they were taken from their various receptacles. The drawers of the desk were broken.

A desk used by Charles J. Sutter, an electrical engineer, was also wrecked. His safe was broken open, and the money box smashed. He did not go to his office in the afternoon, and was unable to say whether they had carried away any of his property or not.

The Central Mantel Co.'s safe was not touched. All the drawers were evidences of the hunt of the intruders for money. But Mr. Thomas says they did not damage his stock or carry away anything of value.

"The men were evidently after money only," said Mr. Thomas to the Post-Dispatch, "and refused to take anything else. If they had taken the trouble to break into my big safe they would have met with no success. So far as I know, there was not a dollar of money in the house. I have always made it a rule not to leave any money in my place over night and I am now glad of it."

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Secret With Him.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.  
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 22.—The unexpected death in Baltimore of James McMenamin of Hampton, known as the only successful canner of crab meat in the world, may result in the discontinuance of the industry which has made the name McMenamin famous all over the world and netted the proprietor of the large Hampton cannery a fortune estimated at \$100,000.

All over the world canners have tried to put up this meat for the market, but as is known, without success. Mr. McMenamin closely guarded his secret and no one in his employ, not even his foreman, knew the process. A large force of colored women picked the meat from the crabs. The meat was then sent to Mr. McMenamin's private room, where he personally attended to its preparation. Unless the will makes known the secret or he divulges it to his sons before his death, the secret of successfully preparing crab meat for canning purposes may never be known.

**A Big Walnut Tree.**  
A magnificent black walnut tree on the farm of E. P. Lane, in Wilkes County, Ga., has just been sold for \$4000. Several lumber dealers have examined the tree and declared it to be the finest specimen of that kind of wood they ever saw. The tree was 10 ft. in diameter at four feet above the stump, and extended 75 feet from the base to the top.

## STREAMS OF FIRE FROM VESUVIUS

Famous Volcano Resumes  
Activity.

RIVER OF LAVA FLOWING.

MANY NEW OPENINGS MADE BY  
1898 ERUPTION.

Thousands of Tourists Flocking to Naples, Among Them Scientists Who Will Mark the Changes in the Burning Mountain.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch.  
PARIS, April 22.—A river of lava is pouring down the side of Vesuvius facing the Bay of Naples, while a great pillar of smoke rises from the central crater. Ashes are raining on the country for miles around the base of the burning mountain.

The fire in the craters is very intense at night, illuminating the surrounding region beautifully. Only two slight tremors of earthquake have been felt so far.

Many people, scientists and students, including American tourists, are leaving Paris by every train for Naples. The first sign of disturbance was observed a week ago, and the volume of smoke and rain of fire has steadily increased since then. In the last eruption of consequence, three years ago, seven new craters appeared. They formed around the central funnel. All of these are now illuminated at night.

**Most Celebrated of All Volcanoes.**  
Vesuvius is the most celebrated volcano in existence. Its history is that of the people who have made its lavas their home. It is situated on the bay of Naples, nine miles southeast of the city of Naples, on the western shore of Italy. The surrounding region has been densely populated for more than twenty centuries.

Vesuvius has two summits. The volcano proper is about 4200 feet high, while Monte Somma, to the north, is 5700 feet high. In ancient times the volcano was regarded as extinct. Its slopes were covered with vegetation and were inhabited by people who had there must have been violent volcanic eruptions.

No eruptions have ever been known to those people, although scientists understand that there must have been violent volcanic disturbances in prehistoric times. The first recorded eruption was in 79 A. D., when the cities of Pompeii, Herculaneum and Stabiae were destroyed. There had been severe earthquakes in 62, and the convulsions continued during the succeeding 16 years, doing considerable damage to the surrounding towns.

**The Greatest of Its Eruptions.**  
Then came the volcanic outbreak on Aug. 24, 79, which stands as one of the great catastrophes in history. For nearly 1800 years after that disaster Vesuvius remained in a state of feeble activity. There were occasional eruptions, but none of great importance. No periodicity has been traced in these outbursts, and the intervals of repose were generally of sufficient duration to enable vegetation to resume its sway.

Since the seventeenth century, however, these eruptions have become more frequent. There was a violent and destructive outbreak, Dec. 16, 1631. For six months prior to that date there had been earthquake disturbances of gradually increasing violence, which culminated in the great volcanic eruption. Clouds of dust and stones were blown from the crater, some of which were carried for miles by the wind.

The clouds of steam condensed into torrents, which mingled with the fine ashes and produced muddy streams. Lava issued from the mouth of the crater and flowed down the sides. Though the people were warned by the earlier convulsions, they did not attempt to escape until it was too late. It is said 18,000 persons lost their lives.

Since that outbreak Vesuvius has never lapsed into a condition of total quiescence. At intervals, varying from a few weeks or months to a few years, it breaks forth, emitting sometimes only steam, but frequently streams of lava and showers of ashes.

**People Who Live in Constant Peril.**  
In the territory threatened by Vesuvius are several towns on the edge of the Mediterranean, including Portici, which stands partly on the ruins of ancient Herculaneum. The residents of these towns live in constant fear of their lives, and visitors wonder why they stay there and why those who have been built so close to the dyable monster. The records of the locality testify to the danger of the situation, and just above the towns on the lower slopes of the volcano are miles and miles of lava fields. These are evidences of former eruptions, some of them so recent as to be fresh in the minds of the natives.

Vesuvius is not by any means a steep mountain. The grade from the foot of the mountain to the end of the carriage road is slight for a distance of about four miles. There the sides become steeper and the lava is so loose and shifty that further travel must be accomplished on mules or horses on a trail, which changes every few days, because of the lack of stability of the lava.

The trail ends in a sharp ascent at the lower terminus of a cable car and railroad. The railroad tracks are built on the steepest part of the volcano, running almost straight up and down for a distance of 800 feet and then taking a broader angle where the contour of the mountain flattens out toward the crater. The upper end of the railroad is within a quarter of a mile of the mouth of the seething, boiling furnace, which is once more emitting masses of molten metal and clouds of sulphurous smoke.

The proximity of the railroad to the crater makes its destruction sure in case of lively eruption. At the foot of the railroad Cook's station and restaurant are equally endangered. Here tourists are in the habit of resting when making the tour to the top of Vesuvius. Crews in the great volcano close by glow with red-hot lava even when the crater is not particularly active. Tea served at the station is prepared with water boiled over these infernal lava coals. Attendants make good living by dropping copper coins into ladies full of the molten lava, and, after cooling them, sell them to the tourists as souvenirs. Such are the conditions when the volcano is in a quiet mood.

## Black Silks.

C. J. Bonnet & Co., Lyons, France, are pre-eminently the leaders as manufacturers of Black Silks.

**Facts Worth Remembering.**

"Bonnet" Black Silks are a great success, because they are unbreakable, untearable, and their wear is guaranteed.

They are no dearer than the ordinary makes.

"Bonnet" Silks are so carefully manufactured that the quality on hand at any one time is necessarily limited. Just now we have in stock the following styles and qualities.

**Taffetas.**  
75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.50, \$1.75.

**Peau de Soie.**  
\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00.

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\$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.25.

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**SUPT. W. C. NOLTE ESTABLISHES**

NEAR THE HOUSE OF REFUGE  
**A MUNICIPAL FISH HATCHERY**

He Has Stocked an Artificial Lake With Croppie and Black Bass from the State Hatcheries, and They Will Be Used to Supply the Refuge Inmates With Food.

A municipal fish hatchery has been started at the House of Refuge by Superintendent W. C. Nolte, who expects to supply brain food to the inmates of the refuge from this source within two years.

Last week Superintendent Nolte visited the state hatcheries at Forest Park and secured 800 fishes, chiefly croppie and black bass. With these he stocked an artificial lake which was recently constructed at the northwest corner of the refuge grounds. Conditions are believed to be favorable for a large increase in the number of fish.

With the coming of warm weather Superintendent Nolte expects to put a fleet of rowboats on the lake, which will be made a place of refuge share with the whitefish. The man or boy with hook and line will be a popular visitor, as the inmates of the refuge are allowed to fish for their own food. Mr. Nolte's new lake, which is 250 by 125 feet in dimensions and from four to five feet deep, was built through the co-operation of the water department and the workhouse gang. The site chosen was a natural hollow in a corner of the refuge grounds, where the water usually formed in rainy seasons. A pipe line from the nearest water main keeps up a supply of fresh water for which there is no charge to the institution.

Labels are constructing the bed of the lake was furnished by workhouse prisoners at times when they were not called on for refuge share with the whitefish. The lighter work was assigned to the boys of the institution during their hours of leisure from school tasks. Thus the improvement was executed practically for nothing.

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**THE OPENING AT BUFFALO.**  
Formal Ceremonies Are Delayed to  
May 20 for Excellent Reasons.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 22.—The formal opening ceremonies of the Pan-American Exposition will not take place until May 20. The gates of the exposition grounds were closed Sunday, and every available man was put to work to offset the effect of the great April snowstorm of last week. The damage to the buildings is slight and can be quickly repaired, but the delay in the landscape work and the building of roadways is a severe blow to those who have been bending every energy to have the grounds in a thoroughly finished condition by May 1.

It was intended to have this part of the work so complete that it would be possible to open the exposition grounds on the opening day of the exposition. There was to be a parade to the exposition grounds by the organizations of the National Guard and other functions of an appropriate character. Up to last Thursday everything pointed to the working out of this program. The storm, however, put a different aspect on matters, and a conference was held today to consider the situation. It was decided that while the exposition gates would be opened on May 1 the formal ceremonies designed for opening day would be consolidated with those of "Dedication day" on May 20.

**DRIVING THE ENGLISH OUT.**  
Americans and Dutch Pay High for  
Meat Stalls at Smithfield.

LONDON, April 22.—American and Dutch traders are reported to be driving English salesmen out of the great metropolitan meat market at Smithfield. It is said that the sum of \$16,000 was paid recently by American traders to acquire a stall in the central avenue, and that another American firm paid \$12,500 for an inferior position. This matter is receiving a good deal of attention now, and the home secretary will be questioned on the subject in the House of Commons.

**KILLED IN A QUARREL.**  
Three Men Arrested at Lemars, Ia., for  
Killing a Farmer.

LEMARS, Ia., April 22.—John Jensen, a prominent farmer living eight miles from here, was killed in a quarrel last night. Henry Steffen and William Weaver have been arrested charged with the killing, and Peter Peterson is held as an accessory. Jensen leaves a wife and five children.

**GERMAN EMPRESS' DONATION.**  
She Has Given \$2000 Marks to Jewish  
Invalid Air Fund.

BERLIN, April 22.—The Empress has made a donation of 2000 marks to the Jewish Invalid Air Fund. The fund, which was established in 1894, is for the relief of Jewish invalids. The Empress' donation is the largest ever made by a sovereign to a Jewish charity.

**TO PREVENT PHLEGMONIA & GRIP.**  
Laxative Bismuth-Quinine removes the cause.

## EVELATION REMNANTS RUGS and ROOM SIZES.

OUR SPLENDID TRADE LAST WEEK IN FLOOR COVERINGS HAS INDUCED US TO REDOUBLE OUR EFFORTS TO SPREAD ANOTHER BIG FEAST ON OUR SIXTH FLOOR.

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**JUST ARRIVED** A large shipment of best quality made

**Wilton Rugs.** In heart sizes. The prices mark an epoch in this line.

200 Size 36x63; the usual price \$5.50  
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**Body Brussels Rugs.** In room sizes, woven fabrics, not made of remnants—positively lowest prices ever quoted.

9x12 ft. Full room size—a perfect carpet... \$18.50

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8.3x11 ft. Until all are gone the same \$15

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**NEED LICENSE TO TAKE DRINKS**

Arkansas Senate Passes a Funny Revenue Bill.

DRINKERS TO WEAR BADGE.

THIS MUST BE WORN OR THE THIRSTY ONE CANNOT DRINK.

The Kind of Badge Depends on the Wearer's Wealth, but License Fee Is \$5 Per Annum.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.  
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 22.—The State Senate of Arkansas, by a vote of 14 to 1, has passed a bill making it unlawful for any person to drink any intoxicating liquor as a beverage unless he shall have first obtained a license as a dram drinker.

The license fee is fixed at \$5 per annum and the penalty attached to violation of the law is \$15 fine or imprisonment for thirty days.

One of the strongest arguments advanced in favor of the measure is that its enactment and enforcement would compel almost every man in Arkansas to contribute to the public revenue.

The bill is now in the House and a fight is made on the ground that it is obnoxious to the better class of dram drinkers in Arkansas because of its extremely democratic and leveling tendency. The poorest of the people will be practically on the same plane with the richest, the humblest with the proud.

While providing for a regulation in tag of the size of an ordinary buttler's, to be furnished to the dram drinker, the bill permits all legally licensed dram drinkers to wear, as substitutes, badges designed to meet the station, means and tastes of the wearers, on condition, however, of every badge must be countersigned by the state seal.

There is no provision in the bill for the relief of the Arkansas man who finds himself in a strange town without his badge. He must borrow a tag and one man could stay outside while the other was taking his drink, but the effect of this would be demoralizing to an ancient custom in Arkansas which makes it an unpardonable sin for a man to drink alone.

**Some Need Glasses Early in Life.**  
If you need glasses, Dr. Bond, expert optician at Mermel & Jaccard's, Broadway and Locust, will examine your eyes without charge and fit you properly. Steel frames, \$1.00 and up; gold, \$5.00 and up.

**VOLUNTEERS COME HOME.**  
Last of the Regiments Soon to Be in the United States.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Twenty-five regiments of volunteers were organized in September, October and November. Five of them have returned to this country and have been mustered out. Six more of them have left Manila and nine are under orders to sail. Only three regiments remain in service to be ordered home.

The return is progressing more expeditiously than was expected. These regiments went out from 100 to 300 strong. They average about 650 men as they reach San Francisco. Losses have not been heavy, but the government has pursued for a year the policy of allowing the sick to return.

The sea voyage has operated to restore hundreds to good health. Other hundreds of volunteers are choosing to accept their discharges in the Philippines, with a view of reestablishing as regulars or of taking positions of employment.

The 20th, which was mustered out a few days ago, left over 200 men, who chose to stay in the islands.

**SHOT A BANK CLERK**  
CHARLES HOEFLE WOUNDED SUNDAY BY HENRY DIEBLE.

Charles Hoefle, 31 years old, a clerk employed in the merchants' Laclede Bank, residing with his parents at 1112 Buchanan street, was shot in the left knee at 2 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, and his physician says he may be crippled for life. Henry Dieble, who fired the shot, is a prisoner at the North Market police station. Dieble is 25 years old and lives at 3208 North Second street.

The trouble between the two young men arose, it is alleged, out of the attention that Hoefle formerly paid to Miss Mary Dieble, a sister of the prisoner. Hoefle declines to make any statement. Dieble admits doing the shooting, but declares that Hoefle had wronged his sister, but he declines to make any further statement.

The shooting occurred in the rear yard of Thomas Morris at 3207 North Second street, two doors north of the Dieble residence. Thomas Morris was an eye witness to the shooting. He said to the Post-Dispatch:

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